

Dear Paul,

12/30/78

Enclosed is the hasty letter I wrote Jeff "oldberg this morning after a hasty skimming of his assortment of proposals for the future.

In it a make reference to your comment on Blakey, which I regard as a personal endorsement of him and as a professional endorsement of his work.

If you would care to provide an explanation for this belief that I do not find in that AIP newsletter I would be interested. I regard the man's record as monstrous, as of incredible dishonesty, and that this dishonesty is both personal and professional.

Restricting myself of the JFK case I give you a simple illustration, a brief note I passed to Gardner about the time the internal mutual-admiration went started to gush forth from staff and Member mouths, beginning with Blakey's.

I asked him if he recalled a single effort the committee made to place Oswald either at the so-called sniper's nest or anywhere near the scene of the crime.

I ask you the same question and add Ray and the King assassination to it.

This is Blakey's responsibility.

We have a six-million investigation and no effort to place either accused even in a position to have pulled either job and yet you endorse the man responsible.

This example pops into mind while I rush to get to other things. It is typical. it is the committee's Blakey's record.

I'm hoping to be able to get to files I've not had time to examine but have received. First some accumulated legal work. I hope no new emergencies in these case come up so I can go over records.

Have a good year,